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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: SYSTEM ANALYSIS APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM  
STORING SYSTEM ANALYSIS PROGRAM

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Attention: MAIL STOP AF

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed September 13, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on December 13, 2004. This Amendment is timely filed via certificate of facsimile on December 13, 2004.

Entry of the claim amendments and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested, because they clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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